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In re application of)	
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Serial No. 10/716,973)	Atty. Docket No. 03-1842
Confirmation No. 7574)	ESCM 370108-00003
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For Stable Anodes Including Iron Oxide)	
And Use Of Such Anodes In Metal)	
Production Cells)	

Preliminary Amendment

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment to U.S. Serial No. 10/716,973. Please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page
2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.